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Bringing the County Closer to You!

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UCAB Tours New Hospital

Members of the Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board recently toured the new Holy Cross Germantown Hospital that is under construction. This will be the first hospital built in Montgomery County in 35 years. It is scheduled to open in fall 2014.

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Recommendation made for Early Voting Sites

This week, the Montgomery County Board of Elections made their final recommendations for Early Voting Sites.

For the list of sites that is being sent to the Maryland State Board of Elections for approval, visit
http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Elections/Resources/Files/pdfs/EarlyVoting/2014EVSites.pdf

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County's dataMontgomery Website Continues to Expand with New Datasets; Parking Locations and Available Spaces, Spending Disclosures and Tuition Assistance Included

A new dataset with the locations of County parking garages and lots, along with hours, capacity, height clearance – and for Garage 57 in Bethesda, the number of spaces available -- has been added to Montgomery County's dataMontgomery (https://data.montgomerycountymd.gov) website, along with data on spending disclosures and employee tuition assistance. The website data can be viewed, sorted and consumed in various ways, including by individuals and businesses in the development of smart phone and other applications. Read more at
http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=13058

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Public Open House on the Corridor Cities Transitway!
Wednesday, October 30, 2013   5:30pm-8:30pm
Universities at Shady Grove Conference Center
9630 Gudelsky Drive, Building II
Rockville, Maryland 20850

What is the CCT?
The CCT will be a state-of-the-art **Bus Rapid Transit line operating on a fully dedicated 15-mile corridor from the COMSAT facility near Clarksburg, Maryland to the Shady Grove Metro Station**. Engineering and environmental analysis for Phase I from Metropolitan Grove to Shady Grove is actively underway. **The CCT will provide transit service to new and existing centers of commerce, residential communities and educational centers such as Watkins Mill, Kentlands, the Universities at Shady Grove, Life Sciences Center, Crown Farm, and King Farm.**

The Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) will be hosting a Public Open House where you will be able to:
› Review the Phase I alignment modifications
› Learn more about ongoing environmental studies and field activities, station concept plans, the Area Advisory Committees and project schedule

Come to the public meeting anytime between 5:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. to look at project displays. MTA staff and representatives will be available to take your comments and answer questions.

Questions?
Rick J. Kiegel, P.E.
Maryland Transit Administration
410-767-1380 / 866-743-3682
rkiegel@mta.maryland.gov

The Maryland Relay Service can assist teletype users at 7-1-1.

Assistance
Non-English speaking persons who wish to attend should notify Mr. Kiegel to request an interpreter.
For more details, visit http://www.cctmaryland.com/en/public-involvement/upcoming-meetings

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County Executive Isiah Leggett and Gaithersburg Mayor Sidney Katz
announce Montgomery County's 3rd Annual

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Homeless Resource Day
Thursday, November 7   9am-3pm
Activity Center at Bohrer Park
506 South Frederick Avenue, Gaithersburg
(Next to Gaithersburg High School)

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Coats will be collected at recreational facilities through November 1 to support the Montgomery County Government/City of Gaithersburg Homeless Resource Day. The goal is to collect more than 500 gently used women's and men's winter coats of all sizes, especially sizes XL - 3XL.

Gently used winter coats can be dropped off at the following Upcounty facilities through November 1:

• Germantown Indoor Swim Center, 18000 Central Park Circle, Boyds; and
• Upper County Community Recreation Center, 8201 Emory Grove Rd., Gaithersburg.

For more information about the Interfaith Works Coat Drive, call D'Ivonne Holman at 301-525-2624. For information about the Recreation Department donation sites, call Judy Stiles at 240-777-6875. For information about the second annual Homeless Resource Day, visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/HRD.

http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/HHS-Program/SNHS/HomelessResourceDay/HRDindexnew.html

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"One Stop Fair Housing Shop"
Thursday, October 31 11:30am – 4:00pm
Silver Spring Civic Building
One Veterans Place
Corner of Ellsworth Drive and Fenton Street, Silver Spring

Housing professionals and providers will have an opportunity to meet fair housing regulators in Montgomery County at this free Fair Housing Educational Forum. The "One Stop Fair Housing Shop" is sponsored by the Montgomery County Office of Human Rights and will include a complimentary lunch. Guest speakers will include representatives from the Office of Human Rights, Office of Consumer Protection, Office of Landlord-Tenant Affairs, Maryland Commission on Civil Rights, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, U.S. Department of Justice and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

A request is pending with the State of Maryland for the approval of 3.0 Continuous Education Unit Hours for those realtors who attend the forum.

To register/RSVP, request TTD or receive additional information, contact the Office of Human Rights at 240-777-8450 or email fairhousing@montgomerycountymd.gov. *Sign language interpreters and accommodations must be requested by October 28.*

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Maryland Emancipation Day Celebrations

Join Montgomery Parks in celebrating **Maryland Emancipation Day**
Saturday, November 2   2:00pm-4:00pm
Oakley Cabin African American Museum & Park
3610 Brookeville Road, Olney

Emancipation Day Celebration Program

- Presentation by the re-enactors of the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Regiment, B Company, Washington, DC
- Hearth cooking demonstrations by living history demonstrator, Anita Henderson
- Performances by blues musician, Eleanor Ellis and Rick Franklin & His Delta Blues Boys
- Presentation by members of FREED: Female RE-Enactors of Distinction: African American Ladies of the Civil War, an auxiliary organization of the African American Civil War Museum in Washington, D.C.

The origin of Maryland's Emancipation Day stems from the historic November 1, 1864 new state constitution freeing enslaved persons living in Maryland. This year's events will feature a variety of activities: guided hikes that allow visitors to experience the Underground Railroad at Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park; tours of the rich cultural history afforded by Oakley Cabin; and tours of the Josiah Henson Park. All activities are free to the public.

Please RSVP to Melissa Chotiner at (301) 650-2866. *We look forward to seeing you for Maryland Emancipation Day!*

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*For other news and meeting a*g*endas, visit:*
County Council http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/csltmpl.asp?url=/content/council/news/news.asp
Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news_releases/

Also check out the latest from:
Department of Public Libraries   http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/libraries/index.asp
Department of Recreation   http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp
Department of Transportation   http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html
Department of Environmental Protection http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp
Department of Permitting Services http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx
Montgomery County Volunteer Center http://www.montgomeryserves.org